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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St., SW Washington, DC 20554

> Re: Notification of *Ex Parte* Communications

> > WT Docket Nos. 96-86, 06-150; PS Docket No. 06-229

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is to report permitted, oral ex parte communications of Frontline Wireless. LLC ("Frontline") and its counsel concerning the above-referenced proceedings.

On May 14, 2007, Janice Obuchowski (Chairman of Frontline), Ram Shriram (Managing Partner of Sherpalo Ventures and an early investor in Frontline), and Jonathan Blake met with Commissioner Deborah Taylor Tate and her legal advisor, Aaron Goldberger. In a separate meeting on the same day, Ms. Obuchowski, Mr. Shriram, Mr. Blake, Jim Barksdale (an investor in Frontline) and David Barksdale, met with Chairman Kevin Martin, his legal advisor, Erika Olsen, Catherine Bohigian, Chief of the Office of Strategic Planning & Policy Analysis and Fred Campbell, Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. In a third meeting, Ms. Obuchowski, Mr. Shriram, Mr. Blake, Mr. J. Barksdale, Mr. D. Barksdale and Gerard Waldron met with Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein and his legal advisor, Barry Ohlson. Today, Ms. Obuchowski, Mr. Shriram, Mr. Blake, Mr. J. Barksdale and Mr. Waldron met with Commissioner Michael J. Copps and his legal advisor, Bruce Gottlieb, and in a separate meeting spoke with Commissioner Robert M. McDowell and his legal advisor, Angela Giancarlo.

In the meetings, the parties discussed Frontline's Public Safety Deployment Plan and the many benefits the public/private partnership proposed by Frontline would provide the public safety community. Further, the parties spoke about Frontline's open access and wholesale provisions designed to promote innovation, competition, roaming and rural services. Finally, the parties discussed the Commission's small business rules and emphasized that qualified small businesses should be eligible for bidding credits in the "E" block auction under those rules.

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Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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